

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 10

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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Melburn Don Denney of Shop Springs.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Melburn Don Denney; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Denney was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, a retired educator who began his professional career as a teacher at Castle Heights Military Academy, Don Denney served with acumen and alacrity as an administrator and teacher for the Lebanon Special School District from 1969 to 1999, in which position he earned the respect of his peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, the son of the late Bud and Erma Denney, Don Denney was a graduate of Cumberland University and earned a master's degree in education from Middle Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, an avid outdoorsman who was widely renowned for his skill and knowledge, Mr. Denney enjoyed hunting, fishing, farming, playing golf, and spending time with his beloved grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Denney was an active and devout member of the First Presbyterian Church, which he served faithfully for many years; and

WHEREAS, he was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Denney enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife of forty-four years, Judy Denney, was the proud father of Chuck Denney and Melissa Denney Cassetty, and was the doting grandfather of Sam Denney, Meredith Denney, Dillion Cassetty, and Adam Cassetty; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Denney leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of Melburn Don Denney, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Denney.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.